

CITY FALLING INTO A RIVER IN ARKANSAS

Pine Bluff, Arkansas, in Grave Danger, and Petitions President to Have Course of River Changed.

(By Associated Press.)

PINE BLUFF (Ark.), Dec. 1.—While appealing as a last resource to Roosevelt that permission be granted to cut through the government levees and change the course of the Arkansas river, leaving Pine Bluff high and dry and safe, every available man in this city will be put to work strengthening the already crumbling banks until the crest of the sixteen-foot rise passes this point, probably Wednesday night, in an effort to prevent an overflow which will mean the destruction of property valued at hundreds of thousands of dollars, and probably loss of life. Whether the effort will be successful is problematical.

Tonight the river passed the fifteen-foot stage, and at its crest a stage of twenty-six feet is anticipated. The flood stage is twenty-five feet. Tonight a large section of land thirty feet north of the walls of the county court house and the Jefferson hotel, each valued at \$100,000, is slowly disappearing in the river. Warehouses along the bank, which are already partially wrecked, may fall at any moment.

W. J. BIGGY IS MISSING FROM FRISCO

(Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 1.—Although numerous boats have patrolled and searched the bay since daylight this morning from Golden Gate to Hunter's Point, and officers of ferry boats and other crafts were asked to keep a sharp lookout, the body of Chief of Police William J. Biggy, who disappeared from the police launch Patrol, and is believed to have fallen overboard shortly before 12 last night, while returning to this city from Belvedere, on the North Shore, has not been recovered. Up to a late hour tonight the police launch Patrol and other boats equipped with searchlights are still on the bay, but it is feared the body has been carried to sea.

ARE TO ASSESS ESPEE

(By Associated Press.)

FRANKFORT (Ky.), Dec. 1.—In the circuit court today Judge Stout rendered a decision in which he directs the board of valuation and assessment to assemble and assess the Southern Pacific railroad according to law. The judge does not say what valuation shall be placed on the Southern Pacific, which has an office at Beechmont, a suburb of Louisville. The suit, however, was to force the assessment valuation of \$250,000,000, which will mean about \$6,000,000 for the state if the court of appeals upholds the judgment, as five years' taxes are involved.

SOUTH DAKOTA GOLD YIELD.

PIERRE (S. D.), Dec. 1.—The report of the state mine inspector shows South Dakota's gold production for last year to have been \$7,460,000, the highest in the history of the state.

TARIFF AFFECTS STOCKS

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—Professional operators in stocks did most of the business in today's market. Their transactions were in a class of securities designated as specialties for the most part. Yesterday's heavy fall in prices of United States steel shares was followed today by further free offerings of that stock. Dealings in it were on a scale unusually heavy. The selling of this stock is regarded as being prompted, to some extent, by the growing probability of more radical action in tariff revision than had been the expectation in financial quarters. The market closed in an unsettled state. Bonds were irregular.

23 FOR SALOONS.

(By Associated Press.)

COLUMBUS (O.), Dec. 1.—Knox county today voted dry by 2485 votes. Twenty-two saloons are affected.

Bonanza ads bring results.

GLOBE IS SOLD BY CALKINS

(By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 1.—Announcement was made today of the sale of the San Francisco Evening Globe to C. H. Wilson, an attorney representing the Ocean Publishing company, of which he is president. The price paid for the paper, which was started five months ago by the Calkins Newspaper syndicate, is not made public. The new company took charge of the Globe at noon, and S. Fred Hogue, formerly of the Los Angeles Times, installed as manager. Wilson declined to make known his associates in the Ocean Publishing company, but said they were prominent local men.

MINERS WERE SCARED BUT NO ONE WAS HURT

(By Associated Press.)

CENTRAL CITY (Ky.), Dec. 1.—One hundred miners in the coal mine of the Central Coal and Iron company near this city escaped from the workings, which had been filled with smoke as a result of an armature burning out in a motor running a pump, early this morning. The miners were frightened by the smoke and hurried to the surface through an air shaft. No one was hurt.

WAS IT MURDER OR A SUICIDE

(By Associated Press.)

MEMPHIS (Tenn.), Dec. 1.—J. C. Cowie, a formerly well known cotton buyer, prominent in Memphis social life, was found dead with a bullet hole in his temple late this afternoon. Cowie's body was found in a locked room in his residence on Union avenue. Cowie's friends say that he had recently been in sore financial straits. He was 40 years old and unmarried.

BONDSMEN FOR SCHMITZ

NOT READY TO QUALIFY

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 1.—Former Mayor Schmitz appeared before Judge Dunne today to satisfy the court as to the security of the bond for Schmitz's appearance, furnished in part, by William J. Dingee. It was stated that while it had been practically decided that Mr. Dingee would withdraw, his substitutes were not quite ready to qualify, and the court continued the hearing until Wednesday.

EIGHT JURORS ACCEPTED

FOR TRIAL OF DAVIS

OMAHA (Nebr.), Dec. 1.—Eight jurors have been accepted tentatively in the trial of Charles E. Davis, accused of murdering Dr. Frederick Rustin. The defense will contend that Dr. Rustin was afflicted with suicidal mania for two or three years prior to being shot, and that he finally ended his own life.

Latest shipment of fur hats; also line of new large flowers and shapes at Mrs. Munn's. 12-2-21

ARTICLES OF THE AGREEMENT MADE PUBLIC

American and Japanese Governments Publish the Text of Agreement Which Has Been Entered Into

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—The state department tonight made public five articles of the agreement between the United States and Japan "declaring their policy in the far east."

1—It is the wish of the two governments to encourage free and peaceful development of their commerce in the Pacific ocean.

2—The policy of both governments is not influenced by any aggressive tendencies, but directed to the maintenance of the existing status quo in the region above mentioned and to the defense of the people and an equal opportunity for commerce and industry in China.

3—They accordingly are firmly resolved to reciprocally respect the territorial possessions belonging to each other in said region.

4—Contracting parties are determined to preserve the common interests of all powers in China by supporting by all pacific means at their disposal the independence and integrity of China and the principle of equal opportunity for commerce and industry of all nations in the empire.

5—Should any event occur threatening the status quo as above designated or the principle of equal opportunity as above defined, it remains for the two governments to communicate with each other in order to arrive at an understanding as to what measures they may consider it useful to take.

JAPAN IS PLEASED.

TOKIO, Dec. 2.—The text of the diplomatic note signed and exchanged at Washington Monday by Secretary of State Root and Ambassador Takahira, setting forth the articles in the new American-Japanese agreement relative to the policy of the two governments in the far east, was published here this morning (Wednesday). It was warmly welcomed on all sides.

THE HAYTIAN INSURGENTS ARE WINNERS

PORT AU PRINCE (Hayti), Dec. 1.

1.—The expected battle between revolutionists and troops of the government, which are entrenched outside the city, is likely to be deferred for several days. General Simon, commander of the revolutionary forces, has decided to attack Jacmel, which lies thirty miles southwest of this city, and which is the only town that remained loyal in the department of the south, before resuming his march on Port Au Prince.

It is believed the situation so far as the government is concerned is lost. Louis Borno, minister of state, has handed in his resignation and taken refuge at the German legation, and there now remain in office only three high government officials, General Laconte, minister of interior; General Lalau, minister of justice and public instruction, and General Mariell, minister of finance and commerce. All other ministers have resigned except General Celestin Cyriaque, who after his recent defeat at the hands of the insurgents, is believed to have found asylum in one of the foreign consulates.

The three divisions of government troops entrenched outside the city are being depleted by numerous desertions. While every effort is made to hold the troops together, there has been few outward signs of disaffection, but the government soldiers have taken the first opportunity to slip away. Some of these undoubtedly will join the insurgent army. General Simon will enter Port Au Prince probably without striking a blow, and it may be without causing any disturbance in the order of things if President Nord Alexis takes his departure from the city before the arrival of the army. The situation will be critical if the president elects to remain. The arrival of the American cruiser Des Moines this morning has given added assurance to the foreign residents. The Des Moines and the cruiser Tacoma now represent the United States here.

An advance guard of the revolutionists have occupied Leogane, twenty miles west of Port Au Prince, without the slightest disorder today. The men are well disciplined and supplied with plenty of arms and ammunition.

GUTHRIE FLOOD SITUATION

IS GREATLY IMPROVED

GUTHRIE (Okla.), Dec. 1.—The flood situation was greatly improved here this morning. At daylight, with the water receding at the rate of a foot an hour, only a few blocks in the lowlands of the city were still inundated. There was no loss of life, but many families were forced to abandon their homes. The damage is estimated at \$250,000.

INCENDIARIES CAUSE BIG LOSS.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 1.—Fire of supposed incendiary origin destroyed the bending shop and much property of J. G. Brill and company, Sixty-second street and Woodland avenue, today. Loss, \$200,000.

COKE OVENS AGAIN FIRED.

HUNTINGTON (W. Va.), Dec. 1.—More than 2000 coke ovens in the Norfolk and Western fields, which have been idle for almost a year, resumed operations tonight.

The Sanctuary society meets at the Misses Haferon's on Florence avenue Wednesday evening. It

VICTIMS OF MINE ARE 126

(By Associated Press.)

PITTSBURG, Dec. 1.—State officials, mine owners and rescuers, when darkness fell tonight, believed that all but two of the victims of the explosion of last Saturday had been recovered. At that time 126 bodies hoisted from the bottom of the shaft had been turned over to the undertakers. Twelve bodies were brought to the surface today.

A WILD RIDE ON RUNAWAY FREIGHT TRAIN

(By Associated Press.)

BUTTE (Mont.), Dec. 1.—An entire freight train consisting of an engine and fourteen cars, was piled in the ditch and wrecked on the west side of Bloomsburg hill on the Northern Pacific this morning. The train got beyond control while descending the mountain, due to the accumulation of ice and snow on the rails. An operator grasped the situation as the train thundered past him and wired ahead to Weed, where the derailing switch was thrown. No one was injured.

IRISH-AMERICANS BEST ATHLETES

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—The Irish-American Athletic club won the point score at the two-day championship meeting of the Amateur Athletic union concluded tonight at Madison Square Garden. The final score of the winning organization was eighty-four points. Three records were broken in the meet. Tonight Thomas Collins (Irish-American Athletic club) set a new American figure for the five-mile run, breaking E. Carter's record of 25:23 3-5, made in 1887. Collins' time was 25:19 2-5.

FINCH TRIAL IS SET FOR DECEMBER 8

PORTLAND (Ore.), Dec. 17.—J. A. Finch, the disbarred lawyer who killed Ralph B. Fisher, prosecutor of the State Bar association, was arraigned before Justice of the Peace Olson today. Finch demanded an immediate hearing and the case was set for December 8.

Funeral services over Fisher's body were held today. Many prominent lawyers attended.

◆ SILVER DROPS TO 47 7-8. ◆
◆ NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—Silver, ◆
◆ 47 7-8; lead, dull, 4.25 @ 4.30; ◆
◆ copper, dull, 14.37 1/2 @ 14.50. ◆

The Mizpah grill; a pleasant place to dine. 12-2-11